

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please insert the following section headings on amended page 1, after the title and at line 2:

**-- BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

**1) Field of the Invention --**

Please insert the following section heading on amended page 1, at line 11:

**-- 2) Description of the Prior Art --**

Please insert the following section heading on amended page 1, at line 25:

**-- SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION --**

Please replace the paragraph on amended page 1, beginning at line 26, and continuing on amended page 2, with the following replacement paragraph:

-- The invention provides for this purpose a device ~~of the type stated in the preamble, characterized in that~~ wherein the processing unit is provided with conversion means for converting at least one recorded keystroke into a signal for a phoneme corresponding to the linguistic symbol of this at least one keystroke, wherein the sound-producing means are adapted for voicing of the phoneme. The above stated device has the great advantage that using the device a direct connection can be made between the linguistic symbol shown on a key for visual representation of a phoneme and the (acoustic) voicing of this phoneme. In this manner illiterate people can link an auditory phoneme to a visual representation of this phoneme in relatively efficient manner. An illiterate person remembering which linguistic symbol is linked to which phoneme can take place relatively quickly using the device according to the invention. The conversion means can be of very diverse nature. The conversion means can be formed by both hardware and software, as well as by a combination of both. It is noted that physical contact between different components forming part of the device according to the invention is not essential. Wireless communication for instance can thus also be envisaged. Conversely, it is likewise possible to embody the device according to the invention as a completely integrated system. --

Please insert the following section heading on amended page 4, at line 26:

**-- BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS --**

Please insert the following section heading on amended page 4, at line 31:

-- DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS --